

#### **Charter of the Board of Directors**

#### **Tipco Asphalt Public Company Limited**

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The Board of Directors of Tipco Asphalt Public Company Limited ("Company") has a commitment to its fiduciary duties and responsibilities and shall ensure that the Company is managed and operated in the best interests of the shareholders. To adhere to these fiduciary duties, each director commits to the following key duties;

- 1. To perform duties with due care (Duty of Care);
- 2. To perform their duties with loyalty to protect the best interest of the Company and shareholders (Duty of Loyalty);
- To comply with the laws and regulations, the Company's Objectives, the Company's Articles of Association, and the resolutions of the Board of Directors and shareholders' meetings (Duty of Obedience); and
- 4. To disclose the information to the shareholders in the accurate, complete, transparent and timely manner (Duty of Disclosure).

In addition, the Board of Directors defines and reviews the Company's vision, mission, policies, strategies, etc., covering all facets of operations, and measures the employees' performance against the Key Performance Indicators (KPI) and budget.

In order to promote good corporate governance of the Company, the Board of Directors has thus resolved to adopt the Charter of the Board of Directors ("Charter") such that Directors are fully aware of and perform their duties and exercise their responsibilities accordingly. This Charter shall be effective on 13 November 2023 henceforth.

# **Composition and Appointment**

1. The Board shall consist of at least 10 directors, but not exceed 14 directors. Directors of not fewer than half of the number of all directors shall have residence in the Kingdom of Thailand;



- At least one-third of all directors must be independent directors, the number of whom must be at least three;
- 3. The Board of Directors shall elect one director to be the chairman of the Board ("Chairman") and elect one director to be vice chairman ("Vice Chairman") of the Board. Vice Chairman is entitled to perform any act under the Articles of Association on behalf of the Chairman;
- 4. The positions of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer are not held by the same individual for the sake of clear-cut segregation of roles and responsibilities; and
- 5. The appointment of Directors must be based on transparency and clarity and shall abide by laws, regulations and relevant rules.

#### **Qualifications of Directors**

In selecting persons to be appointed as the Company's Directors, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee is empowered to screen and nominate qualified persons. The desirable characteristics of Directors include:

- 1. integrity and accountability;
- proven competency in financial, commercial or industrial matters and skills/capacity to provide strategic insight and direction;
- 3. proven experience in corporate management;
- 4. good interpersonal and communication skills;
- no conflict of interest or prohibited characteristics as specified in the Public Limited Company Act B.E.
  2535; and
- Independent directors shall possess the qualifications as specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's guidelines and the Company's definition of Independent Director.
  - Directors may hold directorships in no more than five listed companies but such holdings shall not adversely affect their work as Directors of the Company.



#### **Terms of Office**

 In every annual ordinary meeting of shareholders, one-third of directors shall vacate in proportion. If the number of directors is not a multiple of three, the number of directors closest to one-third shall vacate;

A director who vacates under this section may be re-elected;

2. In the case of a vacancy in the Board of Directors for reasons other than the termination of the term of office, the Board of Directors shall elect a person who has the qualifications and is not being under any of the prohibition under section 68 of Public Limited Company Act B.E. 2535 as the substitute director at the next meeting of Board of Directors, unless the remaining term of office of the said director is less than two months;

The resolution of the Board of Directors under the above paragraph shall be a vote of not less than three-fourths of number of directors remaining;

The substitute director under paragraph one shall hold office only for the remaining term of office of the director whom he or she replaces;

- 3. Term of office of Chairman and Vice Chairman is two years;
- In addition to vacating office upon the termination of the term under the Public Limited Company Act
  B.E. 2535, Directors shall vacate office upon:
  - 4.1 Death;
  - 4.2 Resignation;
  - 4.3 Being disqualified or being under any of the prohibitions;
  - 4.4 Removal by a resolution of the meeting of shareholders; and
  - 4.5 Removal by court order.
- 5. Retirement age is 75;
- 6. A member will be allowed to retain his/her directorship after his/her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday and remain as Director until his/her three-year term expires; and



7. Any director wishing to resign from office shall submit his or her resignation letter to the Company and the resignation shall be effective from the date on which the Company receives the resignation letter.

## **Duties and Responsibilities of the Chairman of the Board**

- To summon the meetings of the Board of Directors according to the pre-determined schedules and others as necessary;
- 2. To preside over the Board of Directors meeting;
- 3. To promote corporate governance standards of the Board of Directors;
- 4. To preside over the Shareholders' meeting and conducting the meeting following the sequences of the agenda and in compliance with the Company's Articles of Association;
- 5. To promote working relationship among Executives Directors, Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors in the Board of Directors and support CEO and the Management to perform duties in accordance with the Company's policy; and
- 6. To perform the duties specified by the laws and regulations.

## **Duties and Responsibilities of the Board of Directors**

The basic responsibilities of the Directors are to exercise their business judgment in the best interest of its shareholders and for the sustainable growth of the Company. The Board shall ensure that each director performs his/her duty in accordance with all relevant laws and regulations.

In furtherance of its responsibilities, the Board of Directors shall;

#### Establish Clear Leadership Role and Responsibilities of the Board

1. Define, evaluate and approve, on a regular basis, the Company's vision, mission, corporate values, business policies, long-term plans and strategies.



- Review, evaluate and approve the Company's budget and forecast, include resource allocation and capital expenditures.
- 3. Adopt, implement and monitor compliance with the Company's Code of Conduct.

#### **Define Objectives that Promote Sustainable Value Creation**

- 4. Define objectives that promote sustainable value creation and governance outcomes, as a framework for the operations of the Company.
- Regularly review the Company's financial and non-financial operating results, adjust the Company's business strategies accordingly.

#### **Strengthen Board Effectiveness**

- 6. Ensure that the directors selection/ nomination policy and procedures are clear and transparent resulting in desired composition of the Board members.
- 7. Ensure that, upon proposing director remuneration to the shareholders' meeting for approval, the remuneration structure is appropriate for the directors' respective roles and responsibilities, linked to their individual and the Company performances while providing incentives for the Board to guide the Company towards meeting its objectives, both in the short and long term.
- 8. Conduct an annual self-evaluation and the assessment will be discussed with the full Board each year in order to identify the areas which require improvement.
- Encourage directors and executives to attend the training course/seminar by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai-IOD) or relevant organizations which is related to their duties and responsibilities.

# **Ensure Effective CEO and People Management**

- 10. Regularly review and ensure proper mechanism for nomination, development and performance evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer while approving a compensation package as deemed appropriate by the Board.
- 11. Review, evaluate and approve the overall corporate organizational structure, the assignment of senior management responsibilities and succession plans.



Review, evaluate and approve compensation packages pertaining to senior management of the Company.

#### **Nurture Innovation and Responsible Business**

- 13. Prioritize and promote innovations that create values for the Company and its shareholders together with benefits for its customers, other related stakeholders, society, and the environment, supporting sustainable growth of the Company.
- 14. Encourage the management to adopt responsible operations, and integrate them into the Company's operations plan. This is to ensure that every department and function in the Company fully align the Company's objectives, goals, and strategies while applying high ethical, environmental and social standards, with contributions to the sustainable growth of the Company.
- 15. Ensure that the management allocates and manages resources efficiently and effectively across all aspects of the value chain to assist the Company towards meeting its objectives.
- 16. Establish an enterprise IT governance framework that fully aligns with the Company's business needs and priorities, promotes business opportunities and performances, strengthens risk management practices, and supports the Company's objectives.
- 17. Review the Company's policies and progress relating to social responsibilities on a regular basis.

### Strengthen Effective Risk Management and Internal Control

- 18. Review and assess the effectiveness of the Company's policies and practices with respect to internal control, risk assessment and risk management;
- 19. Ensure that the Company has implemented effective and appropriate risk management and internal control systems that fully align with the Company's objectives, goals and strategies, and comply with applicable law and standards.
- 20. Establish an Audit Committee that can act effectively and independently.
- 21. Manage and monitor conflicts of interest that might occur between the company, management, directors, and shareholders. The Board should also prevent the inappropriate use of corporate assets, information, and opportunities, including preventing inappropriate transactions with related parties.



- 22. Establish a clear anti-corruption policy and practices (including communication and staff training), and strive to extend its anti-corruption efforts to stakeholders.
- 23. Establish a mechanism for handling complaints and whistleblowing.

#### **Ensure Disclosure and Financial Integrity**

- 24. Oversee and monitor to ensure that the preparation of financial statements and disclosure of material information are accurate, sufficient, and timely and are in compliance with the relevant regulations and guidelines.
- 25. Oversee and monitor the Company's liquidity and debt service coverage together with emergency plans and mechanisms in case of problems arising.

## **Ensure Engagement and Communication with Shareholders**

- 26. Oversee and ensure that the shareholders' meetings are held as scheduled, and conducted properly, with transparency and efficiency while ensuring inclusive and equitable treatment of all shareholders and their abilities to exercise their rights.
- 27. Oversee and ensure accurate, timely and complete disclosure of shareholder resolutions and preparation of the minutes of the shareholders' meetings.

# Others

- 28. Review, at least annually, of (i) the status of major litigation, (ii) Compliance with significant regulatory requirements affecting the Company; and (iii) corporate governance matters;
- 29. Perform any other duties in accordance with the Board's and shareholders' resolutions.

#### Shared Duties and Responsibilities of the Board of Directors and Management

- 1. Formulate and review policies and strategies, plans and targets.
- 2. Ensure robust system for risk management and internal control.
- 3. Clearly define management's responsibilities.
- 4. Oversee appropriate policies and plans for resource allocation, including HR, IT, and budgeting.
- 5. Monitor and evaluate financial and non-financial corporate performance.



6. Ensure integrity of financial and non-financial information disclosures.

### Duties and Responsibilities that the Board of Directors should delegate to Management

Engaging in activities which under normal circumstances are not expected roles of the board, including day-today management and decisions (such as procurement and staffing), ongoing monitoring that conduct and operations are in compliance with the company's policies, strategies, plans, and applicable law and standards.

#### Interactions with External and Internal Parties

- 1. Except where directed by the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, communications on behalf of the Company with internal and external parties such as the media, securities analysts, stockbrokers and investors, must be made only by specifically designated representatives of the Company. If a Director receives any inquiry relating to the Company, he or she should decline to comment and ask them to call the Company's Chief Executive Officer;
- 2. Directors may have access to officers and employees of the Company to obtain information for the benefit of the Company. Meetings or contacts that Directors wish to initiate will be arranged through the Chief Executive Officer. The Directors will use their judgment to ensure that any such contact is not disruptive to the business operations of the Company and will copy the Chief Executive Officer any written communications between Directors and officers or employees of the Company; and
- Directors may propose to the Board to engage experts or advisors, including independent legal counsel, as approved by the Board.

#### **Board of Directors' Meeting**

- The Directors must hold meetings at least five meetings a year by setting meeting dates in advance and may convene extraordinary sessions if necessary;
- 2. The Chairman or the assigned person shall send meeting invitations specifying the date, time, venue, and agenda details to all Directors at least five business days ahead of the meeting. Except for the urgent case to protect the company's interest, notification of the meeting can be given through other means and the meeting can be convened earlier;

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- 3. At a meeting of the Board of Directors, a quorum is constituted when at least ten directors are present. If that quorum is not present within thirty minutes from the time when the meeting should have begun or if during the meeting there is no longer a quorum, the meeting shall be adjourned for not less than seven business days;
- 4. In the event that the Chairman of the Board does not attend the meeting or is unable to perform his/her duty, the Vice Chairman shall be chairman of the meeting. If the Vice Chairman is not present or is unable to perform his duty, the Directors present may elect one of their members to be chairman of the meeting;
- 5. Decisions at the meeting shall be made by majority votes;
- 6. Each Director shall have one vote, but a director who has interests in any matter shall not be entitled to vote on such matter; and
- 7. The company secretary or the assigned person is responsible for preparing the minutes of the meetings.